

**Bellamy's store under new management**

# Bookshop's name not only change

A new name isn't the only noticeable change in the former Book Shop, which re-opened Saturday as Oxbow Books.

Norman Holt purchased the downtown Georgetown business from Zoe Bellamy, who along with husband John, a math teacher at Georgetown District High School, is moving to Vancouver.

Operating a book store is a logical step for Mr. Holt, who has been a journalist and a book editor, as well as having worked in two book shops in his native England. For several years he has been collecting and selling antiquated and out-of-print books through the mail with the use of mail order catalogues he has compiled.

Born in Rochdale, Lancashire in England, Mr. Holt moved to Bury, England, at a young age. He was a reporter for the bi-weekly newspaper in Bury covering all beats from police and court news to sports.

Mr. Holt worked on the newspaper for four years before being called to do two years of service with the military, known in England as National Service.

After being discharged from the military, Mr. Holt returned

to the newspaper for a few months, but eventually gravitated to London, where he worked in two different book stores and began a career as a free-lance editor. Most of his work as an editor has been with educational texts.

Mr. Holt moved to Canada in 1964, landing in Toronto partly because he had relatives in the area, and partly because it is the centre of English language publishing in Canada. He worked for Ryerson Press before that company closed.

For the last few years, he has been doing free-lance editing for various companies in conjunction with his hobby-cum-business of collecting and selling out-of-print and antique books.

The name Oxbow Books springs from a geographical term which describes the curving of a new river channel straight through where the river has curved. Geography and geology, being particular interests of Mr. Holt's, are two areas where his collection of old books is particularly complete. He also has antique books dealing with exploring, mountaineering, the military and economics.

"I don't know of any out-of-print book dealers in this



Norman Holt is the new owner of Oxbow Books, formerly known as The Book Shop. Here, Mr. Holt is seen putting books into place on the shelves in the section of the store reserved for antique and out-of-print books.

(Herald photo)

area," Mr. Holt said. "There are two in Oakville that I know of, but none closer. I've been in books for 20 years, one way or another. I find the old books very interesting."

For some time before deciding to buy a book store, Mr. Holt has operated as a dealer in old books through compiling a catalogue which is circulated through book stores and other places where lovers of old books might pick it up. Should they wish to buy a book, they contact Mr. Holt.

Mr. Holt said he will continue to compile catalogues from time to time. He intends to keep the book store itself with much the same selection of books as was supplied by

Mrs. Bellamy. He will also offer a special service of mailing books as gifts to Europe, since he gets a cheaper postal rate because he is operating a business.

Mr. Holt said he likes the Georgetown area very much, and particularly likes the size of the town. He came here for the first time in 1964 for a rugby game against a Georgetown team. His brother, Geoffrey, lived in Ballinacree, but has since moved back to England.

He and his wife, Ruth, and their children, Erica and Mark, live in Clarkson now, and they have no definite plans to move to Halton Hills in the immediate future.

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All students will then report to the rooms indicated on the various notice boards, at 9:30 a.m. At that time, registration procedures will commence. A full day's timetable will then be followed. Dismissal will take place at 3:15 p.m.

Most students will find their names on appropriate class lists, which will be posted in the foyer, or in the corridor near the cafeteria. Students whose names are not listed should report to the Student Services office.

Students having questions concerning registration or courses are invited to contact the school office any day (Monday to Friday) between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. up to Wednesday, August 27.

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## LDC, planners

agree on 50%

## Miller finds

Herald Special

The Halton land division committee and Halton Hills planning staff see eye-to-eye on applications about half the time, according to a report on the matter prepared by the town's planner.

The report was called for as a result of a series of appeals on LDC decisions recommended to council by staff which upset Coun. Russ Miller.

Coun. Miller felt the town was being asked to appeal virtually every decision LDC made and the situation seemed to be getting out of hand.

The report of LDC decisions over the past two years showed that in 1978 staff and committee only agreed on 61 per cent of decisions. This year, however, the percentage of agreement has risen to 69.

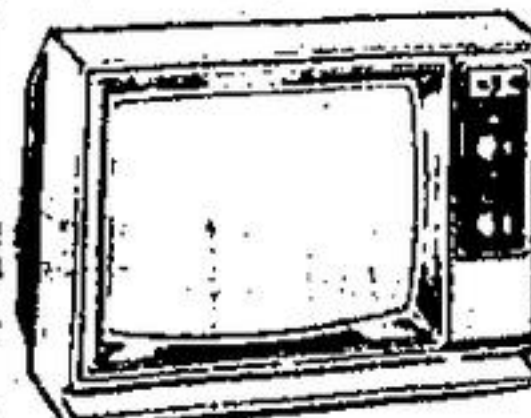
In that time LDC received 231 applications, approved 159, refused 56, and planning staff recommended that council appeal 26 of those decisions. Council did appeal three of them. One appeal was withdrawn by the applicant, one met council conditions and the Ontario Municipal Board ruled in favor of the town on the third case.

Coun. Harry Levy said that the old Esquimes official plan was the thorn in planning staff's side at present but if they were content to live with it as things stood then he felt it was a workable situation.

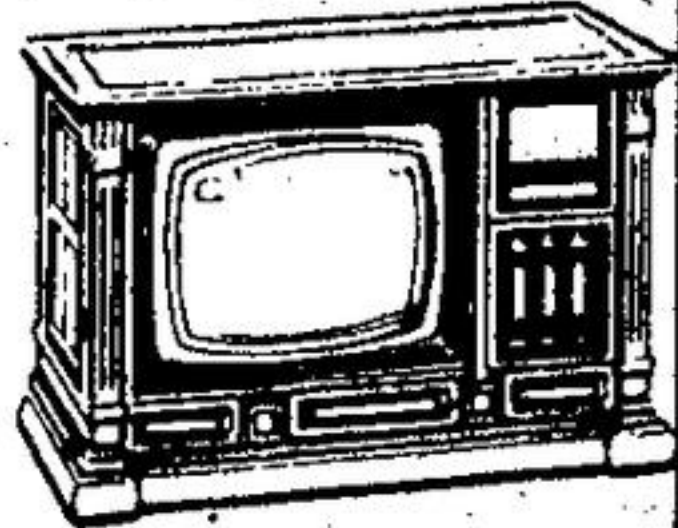
## Health Council executive

Robert Martin of Hornby has been re-elected secretary of the Halton District Health Council. At an annual meeting July 23, the Council re-elected its chairman, Estrid Manore of Oakville, and treasurer, Edgar Foster of Milton. New vice-president of the Council is Burlington's G.W. Gordon. The Council is a voluntary body which advises the Ontario ministry of health on health care resources in this region.

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## Federal contracts for firms

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Federal contracts have been awarded to four Georgetown companies, the department of supply and services said last week.

Varian Canada Inc. won a \$66,759 defence contract for electron tubes.

Wescan Canada Ltd. won a \$35,178 contract from Transport Canada for miscellaneous communication equipment.

Another Transport Canada contract, worth \$32,290, went to Interfab Steel Ltd. for buoys.

Supply and Services Canada awarded a \$28,193 contract to DRG Stationery Co. for loose leaf binders.

The contracts were among 414, with a total value of \$33,415,899, awarded during the week ended July 25.

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This luxuriously spacious leisure home design is well suited to the medium footage recreational building lot and contains in excess of 1,500 square feet of useable living accommodations, of which almost 400 square feet is available in the un-developed loft and storage area. Mixed horizontal and diagonal channel siding guarantees low-maintenance durability and a visually interesting exterior for many years to come. The low-profile salt-box design of the exterior has great charm and would be suitable for a wide range of natural locations, from lakeside to mountain retreat.

The sheltered entry leads past an enclosed equipment storage area and into a large reception foyer and outdoor storage area, from whence traffic flows naturally to the left and into the large L-shape living-dining combination. The living room features an energy-efficient, zero-toe sides. The dining area has also a sliding glass door access to a side patio, for easy access to outdoor barbecues in fine weather.

A well-planned U-shape kitchen provides generous countertop work surfaces, abundant cupboard storage and a step-saving work triangle. Access to the loft area is via stairway positioned mid-way between the kitchen and the dining area.

All three finished bedrooms are positioned along one wall and are well away from the main activity area for freedom from disturbance. Each of the bedrooms has generous closet storage and a full wall of closet storage and a sliding glass walk-through which connects to the elevated, rear-facing patio.

The loft area contains almost 400 square feet of storage area, which could be developed into recreational areas or loft bedrooms, according to individual family tastes and space requirements.

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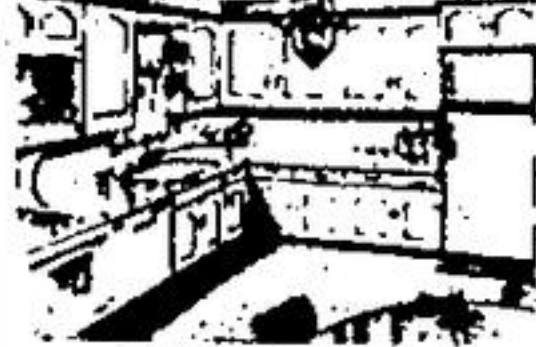
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